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REMARKS

Reconsideration of the present claims, in light of the Remarks which follow, is respectfully requested.

Claims now before the Examiner are 1-19.

Support for the claim amendments (claims 1 and 5) and for the new claims (14-19) may be found paragraph [0134], page 30. Applicants note that at each occurrence of the level of metal the recitation is *of a certain level*, "or less". Applicants have chosen a number of pairs of these levels for claim elements.

The numbering in this Response will follow that of the Examiner's action.

1. No response necessary.

Double Patenting

- 2.-3. *Claims 1-13 stand provisionally rejected over USSN 10/772,823.*

Upon indication of allowable subject matter in the present case, a Terminal Disclaimer will be filed.

Rejections under 35 USC § 102 and/or 35 USC § 103

- 4.-6. *Claims 1-13 stand rejected under 35 USC § 102(b) as Anticipated or under 35 USC § 103(a) as Obvious over US 5,639,834 (Debras).*

As amended, claim 1 contains the element "...a residual zirconium or hafnium metal content". There is no disclosure in Debras to a metal content as now claimed.

Additionally, there is no disclosure in Debras to the zirconium or hafnium content reflected in claims 5 and 14-19.

Furthermore, the Examiner's holding regarding the patentability of product-by-process claims can also be read as in MPEP § 2113 "... where the manufacturing process steps would be expected to impart distinctive structural characteristics to the final product." Applicants respectfully submit that the differences of residual metal and/or the effect of a combination of a metallocene catalyst and a Group 15 containing compound would give rise to the aforementioned "distinctive structural characteristics".

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Accordingly, withdrawal of the Rejections is respectfully requested.

7. No response necessary.

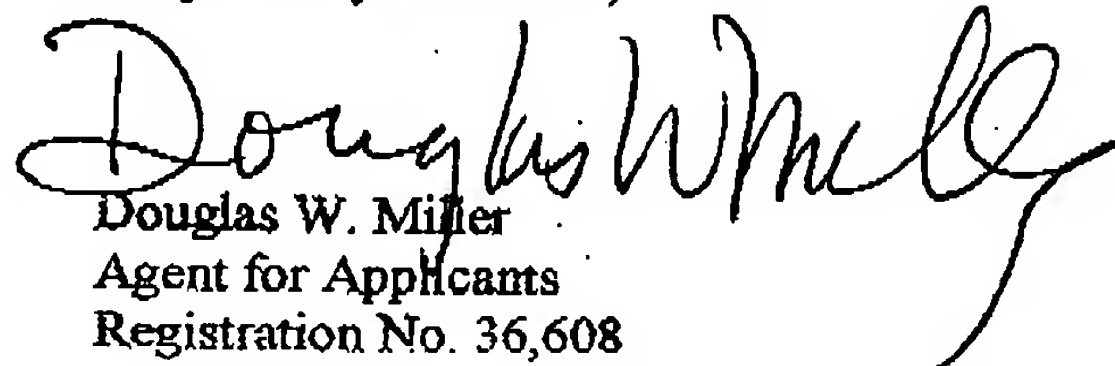
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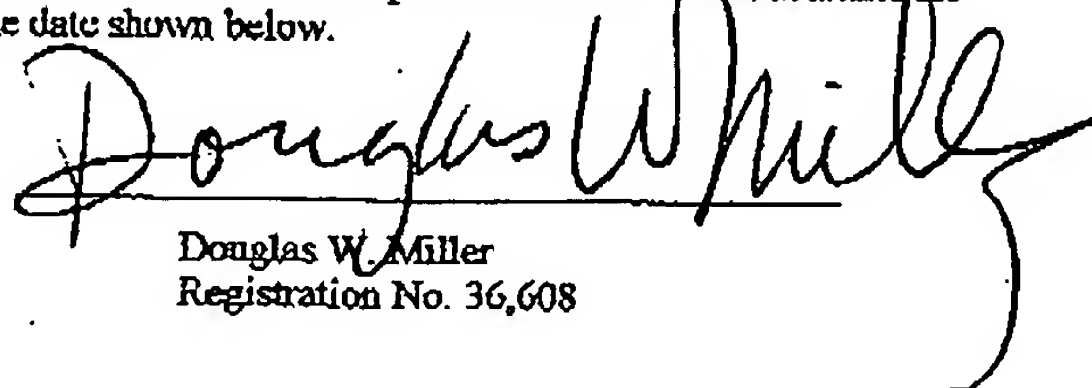
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